

***Remarks***

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested. Upon entry of the foregoing Amendment to the Claims, claims 33-63 are pending in the application, of which claims 33, 51, and 58 are independent. By the foregoing Amendment, claims 1-32 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 33-63 are sought to be added. No new matter is embraced by this amendment and its entry is respectfully requested. Based on the above Amendment and the remarks set forth below, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all outstanding rejections.

***Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102***

The Examiner, on page 3 of the Final Office Action, has rejected claims 1-7, 9-17, 19-27, and 29-32 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,308,187 to DeStefano. Applicant has cancelled claims 1-7, 9-17, 19-27, and 29-32, thereby rendering this rejection moot.

***Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103***

The Examiner, on page 7 of the Final Office Action, has rejected claims 8, 18, and 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,308,187 to DeStefano in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,538,672 to Dobbelaar. Applicant has canceled claims 8, 18, and 28, thereby rendering this rejection moot.

*New Claims*

New claims 33-63 have been added. With respect to Applicant's independent claims 33 and 51, neither DeStefano nor Dobbelaar, separately or in combination, teach at least the following elements:

creating a three-dimensional graphics scene within a three-dimensional coordinate space in which to place the slices according to the layout arrangement, wherein a virtual camera is assigned a location, an orientation, and a field of vision within the three-dimensional coordinate space; and

positioning the content particles as a collage according to the slices within the three-dimensional coordinate space.

With respect to Applicant's independent claim 58, neither DeStefano nor Dobbelaar, separately or in combination, teach at least the following element:

a personal computing device coupled to the network, the personal computing device having a graphical user interface to display the electronic content from the one or more content providers, the electronic content to be displayed in the form of a collage according to a layout arrangement, wherein items within the collage dynamically fade in and out and then reappear elsewhere within the collage to give the collage a dynamic, animated appearance.

Thus, for at least the above reasons, new independent claims 33, 51, and 58, and the claims that depend therefrom (claims 34-50, 52-57, and 59-63, respectively) are patentable over the cited reference for at least the reasons stated above.

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***Conclusion***

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all currently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Response is respectfully requested.

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